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House Bill No.HJR0023
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A RESOLUTION to recognize Mark Stansberry for his efforts as interim president of Shelby State Community College.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly recognize those exceptional individuals who, through their knowledge, skill, and desire, make significant contributions to the future of higher education; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mark Stansberry is one such remarkable person whose exceptional effort as interim president of Shelby State Community College should not go unrecognized; and

WHEREAS, serving with distinction, unparalleled devotion, and a genuine concern for others, Mr. Stansberry has earned the respect and esteem of Shelby State Community College faculty and students, giving them a renewed sense of hope for their educational institution; and

WHEREAS, Shelby State Community College has tremendous potential for retraining adults and preparing students both for technical jobs and further education at senior colleges and universities; and

WHEREAS, the success of Shelby State Community College will undoubtedly affect higher education in West Tennessee, and the school will become an even more important

resource as the trend toward worker retraining continues and the student age-population rises; and

WHEREAS, before Mr. Stansberry arrived, Shelby State Community College, faculty and student morale was low, prospects for leadership were grim, and the school faced a number of other destructive uncertainties; and

WHEREAS, searching for good management and leadership that would generate student and faculty confidence, Shelby State Community College borrowed Mr. Stansberry from the University of Memphis to serve in the capacity of interim president; and

WHEREAS, since his arrival, Mr. Stansberry has been praised continuously by the State Board of Regents, Shelby State Community College staff, students, and the Memphis community for “bringing people together” and “raising morale” at the college; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Stansberry has been lauded for his efforts by the Student Government Association’s president, Harold Bell, who stated that he has been “involved with students and concerned about their welfare”; and

WHEREAS, realizing the importance of Shelby State Community College to the Memphis community and to the future of higher education in our great state, Mr. Stansberry has given unreservedly of himself to the restructuring of Shelby State Community College, and, therefore, can be credited with the sense of stability and hope that now exists at this important institution; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby salute Mr. Mark Stansberry for his unflagging commitment to improvement in higher education and his outstanding work as interim president of Shelby State Community College.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we hereby support Mr. Stansberry as he continues to strengthen and build confidence at this fine educational institution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared and sent to Mr. Stansberry with this final resolving clause omitted from such copy.